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Rear Admiral Roscoe H. Hillenkoetter Director, Central Intelligence Group War Department Washington, D. C.

Dear Admiral Hillenkoetter:

May I present to you, despite the fact that I have never had the pleasure of meeting you, my very best wishes for the accomplishment of the very important mission with which you have been entrusted?

I know from the many friends whom we have in common that you are really the best possible man for this highly responsible task.

I am already very much indebted to your office for the extremely valuable radio broadcast reports I receive. As I know how extremely well informed you are about France, in particular, I thought you might be interested in having a look at my article on the French Communists which appeared in the current May issue of the American Mercury, a copy of which is enclosed.

I am writing this on the eve of leaving for Europe. I will be back at the end of July, and hope you will then give me the opportunity of having a visit with you.

With best regards and wishes.

Sincerely,

/s/Adnre Visson (by CCB)

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Enclosure

(Dictated before sailing for Europe)

cc: Director

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